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SUBJ: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS

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1. CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REF (A) BY ALL SUBSTANTIVE MEMBERS OF COUNTRY TEAM HAS RESULTED IN FOLLOWING SUGGESTED CHANGES OR AMENDMENTS FOR DEPT'S CONSIDERATION:

2. SUPPORT FOR RETURN TO CIVILIAN RULE

-- ENCOURAGE THE MILITARY REGIME TO RETURN GHANA TO CONSTITUTIONAL RULE AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. (IN OUR VIEW, THIS LANGUAGE IS CLEARER AND MORE FORCEFUL THAN VERSION REFTEL.)

-- ENCOURAGE ALL FACTIONS TO SEEK PEACEFUL COMPROMISES RATHER THAN RESORT TO USE OF FORCE, WHICH COULD SERIOUSLY DAMAGE THE COUNTRY'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FABRIC FOR A LONG TIME TO COME. (WE THINK AVOIDANCE OF FORCE, RATHER THAN AVOIDANCE OF CONFRONTATIONAL SITUATIONS, SHOULD BE OUR OBJECTIVE.)

3. SUPPORT FOR ECONOMIC REFORM AND DEVELOPMENT

-- MONITOR US ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO INSURE THAT THEY PROMOTE AGRICULTURAL GROWTH WITH EQUITY; INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT; RURAL AND NON-FORMAL EDUCATION; HEALTH; FAMILY PLANNING; AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE RURAL GROWTH, ESPECIALLY IN KEEPING WITH THE MANDATE  
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OF THE NEW DIRECTION. (THIS GIVES AID A BROADER MANDATE.)

-- URGE GHANAIAAN LEADERS TO ADOPT ECONOMIC POLICIES DESIGNED TO STABILIZE THE ECONOMY, REDUCE INFLATION AND IMPROVE THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SITUATION. (WE BELIEVE THIS IS MORE FORCEFUL THAN VERSION REFTEL.)

-- WORK CLOSELY WITH AGENCIES SUCH AS THE IMF, IBRD AND OTHER FOREIGN DONORS TO URGE THE GOG TO ADOPT ECONOMIC MEASURES TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT AND ENCOURAGE FOREIGN INVESTMENT. (THIS, TOO, IS STRONGER THAN LANGUAGE REFTEL.)

4. UNDERSTANDING FOR US POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

-- SEE THAT USIS PROGRAMS AND INFORMATION OUTPUT INCREASINGLY FOCUS ON THEMES OF IMPORTANCE TO THE US, SUCH AS HUMAN RIGHTS, MULTILATERAL COOPERATION, ETC. (PHRASE "AND INFORMATION OUTPUT" ADDED TO VERSION REFTEL.)

5. ASIDE FROM THESE SUGGESTED REVISIONS, OTHER GOALS AND OBJECTIVES LISTED REFTEL ARE FINE. HOLMES

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